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NIAGARA COLLEGE of Applied Arts and Technology WELLAND CAMPUS LEARNING RESOURCE CENTRE

Alternatives Many For Ill-fated Students

By Charie Ecclestone

The end of term is nearing and many students will be faced with a common problem: what alternatives are open to students who have either dropped or failed a course?

Alan Wyatt, dean of faculty, pointed out this could present difficulties especially for students in specialized courses.

He said it would be relatively easy for an applied arts student to make up elective credits by attending spring or summer classes. Listed in the spring and summer brochure of continuing education are many credit courses appealing to the schools of applied arts, business and technology. The courses are available during the day and evenings.

Students who dropped or failed a course in first or second term can make up the credit in following terms by working an extra subject into their schedule or by attending night school.

Students entering into employment upon the completion of their final year may be able to make up the missing credit at night school, if it is offered. Many employers are willing to allow employees to alter their work schedules to attend day classes.

Students leaving the area to seek employment

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Gravel Sworn In As New SAC President

By GARNET COWSILL

Just before passing the gavel which signifies the presidency of Niagara's Student Administrative Council to Jack Gravel, former president Kajhilda Grant said the trouble with being a leader is one never knows "if people are following you, or chasing you."

A magnificent luncheon served by and at the refrectory-based hotel-food course marked the end of the reign of the 1970-71 SAC and placed the power in the hands of the newly-elected council.

On hand to share in the festivities were members of the administration, including Dr. W. George Bowen and Dean Alan Wyatt, members of student affairs, a member of the board of governors, and the new and old executives.

James Weller, sociology and psychology instructor at the college, an ordained minister, swore in the members of the new SAC.

Opening the ceremonies, Miss Grant directed some advice towards the new council: "Remember ladies and gentlemen, a man who stands for nothing falls for something."

She introduced guest speaker, Dr. Bowen, who complimented last year's council on its fine effort and work and made special note of the contribution to the council by Richard Smith, vice-president of finance.

Miss Grant became nostalgic when the podium was returned to her. She said she had learned a lot at Niagara and she enjoyed being a part of it. She said she would remember it for a long time.

Jack Gravel was sworn in to the presidency and, on acceptance of the gavel, he said next year would be a hard one and he would need the help of everyone on his new executive.

Public Is Enthusiastic About Open House

By SHARON JONES

Can 10,000 people be wrong? Niagara's Open House opened many a sleepy eye in the community. Now these 10,000 people are destroying a myth some students here may still believe.

Is Niagara really just a school, - stage one on the road to riches? Or is it something more?

Visitors showed more enthusiasm than the entire student body. Many people came and visited each building two, three times. "This is quite the place" was the remark most often heard.

Every kind of person was in the crowd. There were spry senior citizens elbowing along with the best of them. Young mothers were in abundance, tots at heel, babies in strollers and babies in arms. There were quasi-hippies and flamboyant matrons; sweet young things in 'Hot Pants' and business-types in dacron suits. Children and adults swarmed the halls contentedly. They had to love a place where they could get 14 doughnuts (assorted) and three cokes free.

The 10,000 had a grand old time that Sunday.

Jobs Scarce For All Students

By JEAN EDWARDS

If a student does not have a summer job by now, he will very likely be unemployed for the next four months. Jobs are scarce for full-time workers, they are even more scarce for summer help.

As money, rather than experience in their chosen fields, is the main objective in working, students are taking any work they can get - in factories, in coal mines, on a parks commission, construction work. Next year many students will be pinching pennies even more than this year because they cannot find jobs.

Many applied for jobs during the winter months. Last year they were unfortunate victims of the last-minute rush to gain employment. Lucky ones are returning to jobs they held last summer.

Some students are still hoping they will be able to get work. They are taking advantage of Canada Manpower and free advertisement opportunities which certain newspapers offer. Hopes are high, but chances are slim.

Those who do not have jobs do not know what they will do. Some say they will likely do seasonal work - tobacco, strawberries, cucumbers - or odd jobs wherever needed. The rest will just take a long vacation.

'Crash' Dupes "News" Reporters

Journalism students thought they had a news story literally drop in on them just prior to the visit or Prime Minister Pierre Trudeau.

A report was received in the newsroom that a helicopter had crash-landed in the Centennial School parking lot. Four reporters and two photographers sped to the scene.

It turned out the machine was a Department of Transport craft making a dry-run prior to the Pm's visit to the peninsula, It was not in any difficulty.

Coverage and pictures of the incident would have been to little avail, however. The Niagara News had been published the day before in conjunction with Niagara's Open House.

N. Falls Youth Hostel Haven For Travellers

By Charie Ecclestone

With increasing unemployment, a growing number of students are hitting the roads during their summer vacation. To assist the throngs of young people, many Canadian cities have established hostels to house youths on their journey.

The Niagara Falls Youth Hostel, which opened its doors on July 8, 1970, is one of these. The hostel is operated by a committee set up by the Metro United Church Council after need for such a service was proved by a sub-committee of Niagara Falls Social Planning Council.

During the time of operation, from July 8 to Sept. 7, the hostel accommodated over 1,100 transients. In addition to a place to sleep, the hostel provided breakfast and an evening snack. All occupants were supplied with sheets, towels, soap, and shower facilities were available. Transients in need of medical assistance were taken to a free clinic in St. Catharines or to the local hospital.

Funds to cover the cost of operation were donated by Niagara Falls clubs, businesses, churches and individuals.

More than half the transients using the Niagara Falls facilities were Canadian students. Quebec students were probably in the majority but all provinces were represented almost every night. During the Strawberry Fields Festival, there was an increase in the number of American travellers.

There was a surprising number of professional people who made use of the hostel, including teachers, professors and engineers. In addition, there were students or travellers from other countries nightly.

Community reaction to the project was most favorable. The co-operation of local health, fire, and police departments, as well as city council, and service clubs and other community organizations was received at all times and has carried over to this year.

Since January, the Youth Hostel Committee has been meeting monthly preparing for the opening of the hostel sometime in June. Although location of the hostel has moved to St. Martin's Church, Dorchester Rd., Niagara Falls, plans for operation are basically the same.

Applications are currently being accepted by the committee for positions of director and six staff members.

Convocation Off Campus

By SHARON JONES

Some 1,000 people are expected to attend Niagara's Convocation ceremonies on June 12 at Centennial Secondary School Welland. Graduates in applied arts and general college diploma will attend a morning ceremony at 10 a.m. Graduates from business and technology will have a ceremony in the afternoon, starting at 2:30 p.m.

Plans for receptions afterwards are being

See Convocation page 6

FINALS NEAR

By SHARON JONES

Chewed fingernails? Dark circles under haunted eyes? April may be famed for her showers but at Niagara College April is better known as exam time.

The days of April 23, 24 and 26 have been reserved for all deserving students in business, arts and technology to write their exams. These final exams, save four, will be written in the gymnasium. The gymnasium is used because of size and adaptability to supervision.

Sixty-five examinations will be written this year: 44 in technology and the remainder divided between arts and business.

"Technology courses lend themselves more easily to final exams" explained J.P. Roos, registrar, Niagara College.

These finals cannot be worth more than 50 per cent of the student's final mark or grade point. The actual allotment of marks depends on the course and the instructor.

Students in arts and business may appear to be having it easy. But they have completed many term tests and major assignments. Their final marks will be derived from these assignmentss.

All exams are an hour-and-a-half long. Their brevity may be of some compensation for all students 'burning the midnight oil.'

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LIFE STYLES

By GLENN SCHNEIDER

A popular concept of social reaction introduced a few years ago was the art of maintaining your "cool". This means it is the thing to do to remain aloof, above petty arguing and human involvement. It means showing little or no reaction to stimulation, and never getting emotional about anything.

In this way, you are rarely made vulnerable to other people or situations and show few weak points at which you can be attacked. However, this "coolness' has evolved into that well-known enemy of organization and humanity: apathy.

By setting up these barriers which prevent a person from feeling experiences, a general callousness sets in that eventually discourages any degree of personal involvement in anything.

This process is unfortunate. It is both unnatural and unhealthy to stifle emotions for the sake of the protection aloofness affords. It is man's nature to express himself through his emotions, by laughing, screaming, shouting or crying. By shutting off the means of release to these reactions, a person puts added stress on his nerves or channels these emotions to less desireable areas.

When this "coolness' evolves into apathy, no one, least of all the apathetic, gain. It is this apathy which allows a person to be beaten to death in front of many witnesses who stand by because they don't want to become involved. Human involvement and human reaction to stimulation are very necessary if we are to maintain a society made up of human beings, and not unfeeling robots.

While it is often tactful and wise to restrain emotions at certain times, a prolonged period of emotional sterility can be harmful.

Let yourself feel things again, react to stimulation, express your emotions and you'll likely find your life, if not completely satisfying, a lot more exciting.

Canadian Society Bows To Youth

By JOHN W. SLINN

Canada is one of the world's highly industrialized countries. Through industrialization, a high standard of living has developed. Things are mass-produced, adding to the high standard of living.

Education advances because of the demand by industry for educated people to work in technical and associated industries. People want the same education to keep on the same social level and understanding of the educated. By attaining the same level of education, they think they will be able to achieve this level of understanding.

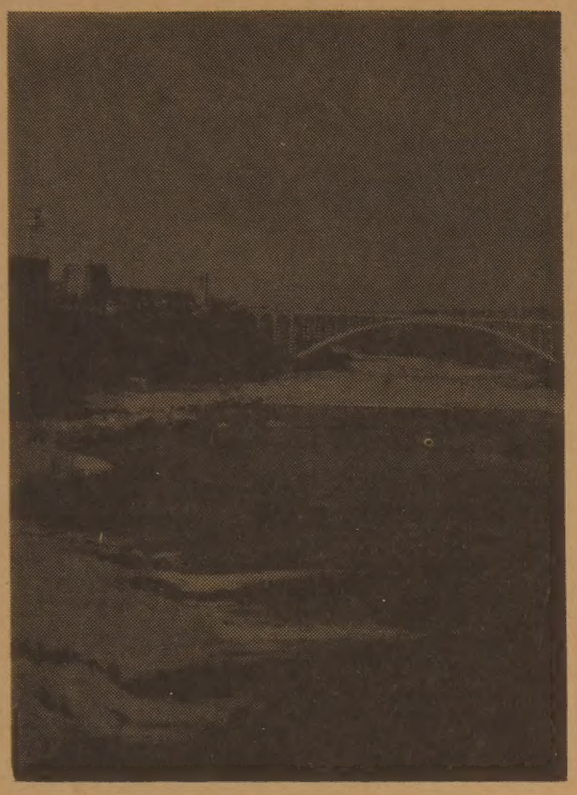
The youth can now become highly educated early in life. Whereas youth used to work up through the ranks in the job world, they now come from school and go right into high-paying jobs. Youth, therefore, has great purchasing power.

A large percentage of the adult world does not want to understand and communicate with the youth. These adults buy peace of mind by giving money and materials goods to their children instead of time, understanding and a sense of belonging.

These adults will not meet the challenge of change which is at the helm of our ship of destiny. Because adults do not wish to face the challenge of change, (change meaning overhauling values and attitudes which threatens the adult sense of security), they give in to the youth in order that they need not accept possible defeat in the eyes of youth through change.

Because some adults do not wish to relate to youth, youth has become self-oriented and seeks only to please itself. Since the youth makes up approximately 25 per cent of the market for goods, the goods are designed to appeal to the youth market.

Western society pays the biggest dividends to those who aid its economic advancement most. For this reason, the most valuable segment of our society is the youth, and it is impatient to reach its goals and will not wait as previous generations have.



More Driver Training Required For Safety

By ROB PAXTON

Each year thousands of people are killed or injured on our nation's highways. Much of this is due to badly constructed roads and unsafe automobiles, but the greater percentage of accidents is caused by poorly trained drivers.

In Ontario, a prospective driver must pass a simple written test to receive his beginner's permit. To gain a permanent licence, he must pass an in-car test which may last no more than a half hour. If he is successful, the novice driver is sent out into the ratrace and is expected to survive for the rest of his driving career.

The high schools have offered driver education courses but they are not part of the regular curriculum. Many of the students cannot afford the fee.

Driver training should be made available to everyone. It should be compulsory for a person to pass a driver training program before being able to obtain a driver's licence.

The provincial government should be responsible for this necessity. Schools should be offered government grants to provide driver education which would become part of the curriculum.

A course would consist of 25 hours in the class-room and six hours in the car with a qualified instructor. This course would not only teach the students to drive, but would also teach defensive driving, the rules of the road and driving etiquette.

Compulsory driver education has many merits but it is not being taken very seriously.

Insurance companies usually offer a 10 to 15 per cent reduction in rates if the applicant has passed a driver education program. The rates get lower as the driver's accident-free record continues.

To cut down on the slaughter on our roads and lower the soaring cost of insurance, driver training programs will have to be initiated in all high schools.

They should be made available to all department of transport testing centres, free of charge

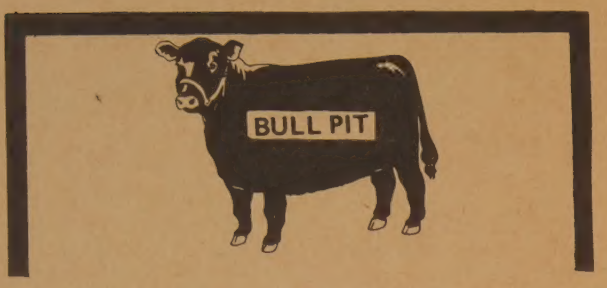
Sure the roads and cars need fixing but so does the nut behind the wheel.

DISTANCE NO PROBLEM FOR FIELD PLACEMENT

Field placement for two second year Journalism students is distant from the college. Students could take field positions arranged for them or find suitable placement themselves.

Miss Jackie Moir is with the Lake Simcoe Advocate, West Sutton; Jeff Harris arranged for placement with the Ontario hydro in Toronto.

Some advertising students are engaged in on-campus college advertising projects as their placement. All students are on field placement until April 22.



By AL STRANGE

It is now spring in Niagara Falls. The ice and snow have disappeared. Once again tourists will be flocking to see the Falls. But can people enjoy the scenery over the stench?

The Maid of the Mist, one of the most popular of all attractions at the Falls, has one main drawback. To attempt to enjoy the beautiful sites from the deck, one needs a gas mask to get to the dock.

At the Maid of the Mist dock, a slick, filmy slime destroys the once beautiful atmosphere. A horrendous smell hangs over the slime that stems from polluting factories.

Ten years ago, there was no place in the world equal to the scenic beauty of the Falls. Now, because of polluting factories, the beauty is lost in the odor.

It seems impossible that this slime goes unnoticed by the tourists. Every day during the summer tourists go on and off the Maid of the Mist from that dock. Missing this prime example of pollution is impossible.

It has to be terrible when progress destroys the beauty and splendor of nature. When odor destorys enjoyment of scenery for the sake of progress, nobody benefits.

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By BOB SUNSTRUM

Regrettably, the fate of college hockey, both locally and nationally is presently controlled by the fat-bellied American cheiftains who run the National Hockey League.

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These are the same capital wizards responsible for such ingenious ventures as dressing 20 clowns in gold and green suits (and matching skates), playing them out of the hockey hotbed of Oakland Claifornia in front of a scattering of curious ex-surfers and reformed roller derby fans and labelling it "Big League".

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These are the people who have taken a nation's national game, and with generous injections of money, television rights, and public relations turned it into a three ring corporate travelling show of "Barnumesque" proportions.

For them to set up shop, they must have hockey players, and hockey players are grown in Canada. An annual harvest yields about two dozen good ones, mostly uneducated. The top names are gleaned from the teeny-bopper world of Junior "A" hockey and enticed with fat contracts, promises of headlines and endorsements, and good homes in Pennsylvania suburbs.

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The remainder are left, at a young age, to fend for themselves, recalling former teammates who have since blossomed into Saturday night heroes and magazine cover millionaires.

The assembly line progression and production of hockey players has not changed since Charles Adams walked out of a Montreal meeting in 1924 with the first American hockey franchise. The door was left open.

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Thousands of starry eyed Canadian boys have since donned skates in order to please Mr. Adams and his cronies. Hockey, in the true north strong and obliging, has thus become a means to an end. The common goal for all shinny advocates is the National Hockey League.

College hockey, because it simply does not fit into the money printing scheme of professionalism was designated obsolete before the first puck was dropped. The calibre of scholastic play suffers only because the NHL prospers.

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If hockey is to become respectable in its' home again, a new set of goals is desperately needed.

Hockey Canada has assured us that at least some boys will want to play hockey for the game's sake along, by establishing scholarships for deserving athletes.

This is a short step in the right direction. If we are to liberate our game from the American businessmen, an increased amount of incentive must be offered to our young skaters on behalf of education insitutions, particularly by institutions of high learning. This includes colleges of applied arts and technology.

Winsome Girls Of Niagara-Guide To Girlwatching

NANCY CARBIERRE

Nancy is another first year student. She is the only girl in this year's radio and television class. Her home is in Chapleau, a small northern Ontario town.

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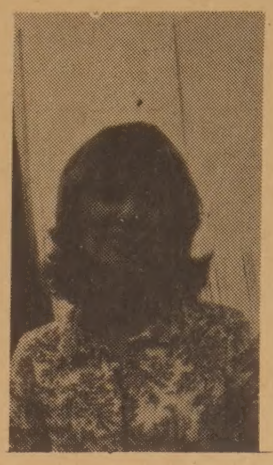
By ALAN OLEKSUIK

The girls of Niagara College are a different breed from what the world has been used to. These girls are entering into fields of learning that have always been considered 'male only'. They are showing the ease with



JANE RIESEBOSCH

Miss Riesebosch is a secretary in the main office. She has been working at the college for more than a year and is presently one of the secretaries for continuing education.

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which they can fit into the technical positions of the employment world.

An example is in the radio and television program where Nancy Carbierre is the only girl in this year's class. Nancy speaks highly of the course and encourages other girls to try it. She said it is a

MARGARET HOEKSEMA

Margaret is the secretary for R.P. Cridland, purchasing agent. She has worked here for more than six months after moving from her home in St. Ann's, N.B.

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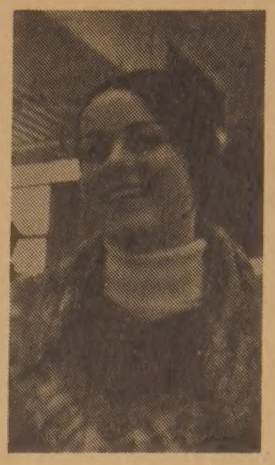
very interesting course with great opportunities.

The education these girls are receiving allows them to enter more challenging careers and more interesting fields of practice. They do not accept the idea education will not be necessary to them simply because they are girls.



SUSAN MACKAY

Susan is in her first year of the general applied arts program. Her home is in Mississauga, but she lives in Welland while studying at Niagara.

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Their attitude is healthy, individual one which is presently spreading throughout the country and the world.

Many men may resent the intrusion into their world, but they must respect the enthusiasm shown by the so-called weaker sex.

ROSE DOMITREK

Miss Domitrek has been a secretary at Niagara for two years. She works for John Parrett the assistant registrar.

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It is interesting to notice the large numbers of girls in Niagara's secretarial courses. These future graduates will be entering jobs in all walks of life.

Not all girls at the college are students. There are 54 girls working on the main campus. These girls do many things, from typing

CHARIE ECCLESTONE

Charie is a first year Journalism student. A resident of St. Catherines, she spends much of her spare time working in local youth hostels.

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to operating the switchboard; from library work to just being beautiful.

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Fashion Arts Attracts Talented Steno Student

What would influence a first year steno secretary student to change her course of study?

The introduction of a course in fashion design beginning in September has prompted Lynn Horne, 20, to pursue her interest in sewing. Lynn has been designing and sewing her own clothes since she was 11.

Unable to find suitable fashions in stores, Lynn finds satisfaction in creating her own clothes by choosing her own fabrics and colors.

Lynn said the secretarial course was good but she feels the new fashion course is more suited to her personality. In addition to sewing and designing, Lynn, who modelled in England before moving to Canada, knits, crochets and does needlepoint.

After completing her new course, Lynn hopes for a career in the fashion industry as a designer.

Students Have Odd Talents

By DIANE WAYDA

Niagara's classrooms are filled with people who possess various types of talent. The usual ones we hear about are in the field of music, acting, writing, or the sciences. But what about the unusual talents.

There is a student who can blow bubbles without and aid of soap or gum.

He uses nothing artificial, just the juices the God's have given him. This is a talent in itself. But he does more than this, he can fill his bubbles with smoke and float them across a room.

Quite a few Niagara students are musically inclined. Many play different types of instruments and some play in bands. A group of Niagara students have formed a comb band. Comb bands are not really unusual but one has to admit this one is. They play "76 Trombones" beautifully on their combs.

There are also students at Niagara who are football lovers.

Football lovers can be seen at Niagara playing the sport they adore on the frosted grass – in mid-December with barefeet. These are truly dedicated and talented young men.

Much has been said about the student at Niagara. Many say he is an individual – that he is. Others say each student has his own way of life, to an extent this is true. Students at Niagara do not laugh at each others "unusual" talents. They laugh with each other.

SMALL GIRL

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Niagara College Field Trip To Guelph University Wins Approval Of Touring Horticulture Students

By ROB PAXTON

The Niagara College School of Horticulture enjoyed a field trip to Guelph University on Fri., April 2. The tour consisted of several lectures and demonstrations in new horticultural techniques.

The first lecture was given by Dr. Richard Barrett, Guelph Horticulture Department. Dr. Barrett gave the students some insight into the type of courses offered and he explained the functions of the horticulture department.

Norm McCollum, a member of Dr. Barrett's staff, was the guide. Mr. McCollum took the students to the histology lab where they observed methods of preserving and preparing plants for future study.

The students were very interested in the rhiozotron. This was a large trench dug underground. Trees were planted along each side of the trench and in this way their root growth could be observed and photographed for further study.

During a demonstration on plant nutrition, Roy Forster, an instructor at the Niagara horticulture school, discussed new ideas in this area with the university staff. He said his students' experiments in plant nutrition had not been completely successful. He welcomed suggestions from the people conducting these experiments at the university.

Several College students said they would be interested in continuing their education at Guelph when they graduate. They discussed the lectures and demonstrations among themselves. The course they seemed most interested in was landscaping architecture. This course would teach them how to design and care for golf courses, parks, and school campuses.

Off-Track Betting Service A Real Bargain For Horse Racing Fans

By Glenn Schneider

For all the horse race fans at the college, there's an opportunity to get in on the action even when local tracks are closed. The Off-Track Betting Service, Main Street. W., Welland, offers a courier service to race tracks for those who want to bet on their favorite nags.

At the office, the bettor makes his choice, gives the clerk the money and receives a receipt. There are cut-off times for each race, say 11:30 a.m. for a 1:00 p.m. race. At that time, a courier arrives and takes the bets to the track. There he buys the correct tickets before post time.

A winner takes his receipt to the office the next day and collects his winnings at the same odds as he would have received if he had been at the race track.

According of Miss D. Watts, betting office clerk, the service makes its money be selling forms at 50 cents each and by getting a percentage from the racetrack of all bets taken in.

The service does not accept bets that are phoned in. All transactions must be in cash. The service is perfectly legal because a fee is not charged for each bet taken.

The outlet in Welland is a member of the Racetrack Messenger Service which operates offices in 24 southern Ontario cities, 43 in the Toronto area alone.

Miss Watts indicated great care is taken that no mistakes are made in the betting process. Before each race, she phones in the bets to a computer centre in Brantford which records them. If a mistake is made by the courier it can be caught by the service and the money returned to the bettor.

The service is a bargain for the racing fan, in that he can bet without driving to Toronto, or even St. Catharines when Garden City Raceway opens. There is no service charge, except for the racing form, the purchase of which is optional.

The service could actually help enforce the laws by eliminating the illegal and more expensive "bookie" service. The office is bright, attractive and clean and could do much to bring betting away from the track out of the days of smoky back rooms and into the accepted business world.

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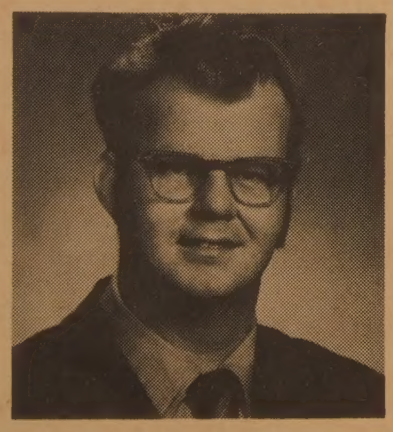

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2nd Yr. ERT Students Honor Advisory Grp.

By Charie Ecclestone

To express their appreciation, second year educational resource students gave a banquet honoring its Advisory Committee and other agencies who had helped them for the past two years. Among the special guests were Miss Hazel Brown, consultant curriculum and student services, Ontario Department of Education; Robert T. Hayes, principal, Governor Simcoe Secondary School, Lincoln; Robert J. Davies, principal, White Oakes School, Department of corrections; along with Niagara College's Alan Wyatt, dean of faculty; A.S. Aboud, director of student affairs; and many others who helped make the program a success.

The students organized and arranged the entire evening including a dinner for 59 people.

Rooms I17 and I18 were decorated along the St. Patrick's day theme. Spotlighted was a large shamrock, complimented by table centerpieces consisting of green candles and white carnations. Wayne Sorley and Virginia Anni were responsible for the program and seating arrangements, and Judy Marshall arranged for dishes and clean-up.

Door prizes, won by James Cuthbertson, I.J. Giancarlo, and W. Sawchuck, were donated by Woodstream Corporation of Niagara Falls. The auto students of Kernahan Park Secondary School, St. Catharines, donated, lubrication, oil change and a car wash.

Following the dinner, a slide presentation outlining the course of studies for educational resource technicians took place. Mrs. G. Hilyer, program co-ordinator, was presented with a white marble pen and desk set by the second year students.

Mrs. Edra Thompson, chairman of the advisory committee, thanked the students for the banquet on behalf of the committee. Dean Wyatt thanked the students on behalf of the faculty.

Sloppy Students Leave Much To Be Desired

By BRUCE WARD

Every student, no doubt, has experienced the apathetic attitude which seems to invade the soul of every Niagara College student at one time. There seems to be a new disease to plague the student population and this one is spreading at epidemic proportions. It is called the malignant "slobess."

It seems, that this disease only strikes at noon time or whenever else a student or students eat. The disease strikes the muscles first causing the student who is about the place a sandwich in his mouth to toss it to the floor. Also it appears cigarette smokers can be stricken by the malignant slobess. The symptoms are flicking a cigarette on the floor, knocking over ash trays and grounding the ashes into the carpeting.

The lounges around this campus are being used as a dump by half the students in this college. If you don't believe this take a walk through the mezzanine at noontime.

You'll find lunch bags, milk cartons, cigarette butts and balony sandwiches strewn across the floor. You don't have to search long until you find upset ashtrays and probably and occassional fire at the bottom of an urn.

The custodians admit they are sick and tired of picking up after these individuals who find it necessary to discard their lunches anywhere.

If Jack Gravel and his office can do anything to correct this situation please do so.

population

There is an abundance of people but a scarcity of humans.

poetry club meets again

The second meeting of the poetry club held March 25 was a great success. Dennis Malone, a language arts instructor, led a discussion on poetry and its effect on today.

Students, who were urged to bring their own poems to the meetings, were given constructive criticism. Each poem was analyzed from many points of view and suggestions were offered to the poet, for improvement of his work.

Eight people attended this meeting. It is hoped more will attend future meetings.

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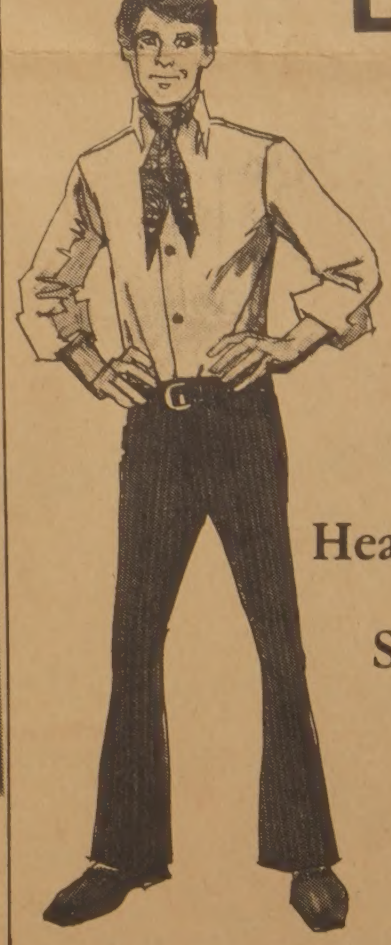

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Field Training Ends In Experienced Students

By JANET CANAVAN

Students involved in field placement programs are gaining valuable experience of practical job training while still enrolled in their courses. Students are being introduced to jobs before graduating by being given the opportunity to work in the atmosphere they are being trained for at the college.

"It gives the students an opportunity to put theory into practice," said I.J. Giancarlo, associate dean of the school of applied arts. "The college gives students the background they need, but practical experience is what they need in order to be well prepared." "We want them to have on-the-job training in order to compare their training experience in the college to the offices."

In the school of applied arts, there are 550 students who receive some sort of field training. Most of them are second year students.

Mr. Giancarlo feels field training gives employers a chance to know the students. As a result, many are hired or offered jobs by employers who had them during this time. He feels this gives the student the chance to find out why he will enjoy the job.

The field placement is set up by program co-ordinators. They arrange the field placement and visit the students during the field practice. They talk to the personnel and make reports on the progress of the students who are graded on their performance - satisfactory or unsatisfactory. A graduate must have a satisfactory grade to pass; any student not receiving this grade is advised to reconsider his course.

In the school of business, the response has been the same. A "Week of Secretarial Services" has been promoted this year to give students a chance to experience practical job training.

"It gives employers a chance to find out the quality of our graduates", said H.D. Warner, associate dean, school of business.

The girls sent out are all in their second year.

Mrs. I. Hanlin, co-ordinator of procedural programs, said the students were highly recommended and employers "try to make up jobs if they haven't got anything for our girls."

All the girls in the general, legal, and medical secretarial courses, in their second year, go out on field training.

But, in the school of technology, there are no co-operative programs yet. S.H.M. Elliot, associate dean, said they were working in this direction.

"Co-operative schemes from Waterloo have pretty well saturated the market," he said.

Training in the summer is available, however. The department of highways hires students from this school for summer work. If a student's summer working experience is directed toward his line of specialty, it is often considered as work experience towards certification. Since a student in this course has to have two years of after school training for certification, summer employment can be counted towards it.

There have been no disheartening reports from employers so it is likely this program will continue.

POETRY CORNER

MEANING

Why do I love you?
Is it the way you smile,
Or because you make me smile?
Is it your walk, the way you
Light a cigarette,
Or is it the way you make me feel
When you do these things?
Is it because you understand me
Confide in me
Touch me
And make love with me?
Isn't it just because
You're you?
I love the touch of your hand,
And your silly jokes,
The way you drink coffee
And the way you frown.
I love your ears, your eyes,
Your hands and your feet.
I love you,
Even when you frown.

Diane Wayda

A WAY

You find out what it is
When you are in need
Of someone.

You never want it,
But somehow
You need it;
To realize,
Yes,
To realize,
What you are
And
What you want.

It never just comes,
One minute you're free
And the next instant
It's there.
It comes and can stay
Forever.
And sometimes
You're blessed with the cure.

A cure
which,
You knew was there
But,
You thought was fading
And,
You were wrong.

You have the cure
And,
You're holding on to it
But it's going,
It's going,
It's gone.
You've found out what it is
And you've been in need
It's come:
It's gone:
And every time,
You think it's here to stay
But,
You're wrong.
And you need it
To realize
What you are,
And, What you want.

John Andreychuk

Alternatives

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elsewhere are encouraged to complete courses at other institutions. Unfortunately, various institutions may not offer the same courses but an equivalent course may be acceptable, the dean said. Students are asked to notify the college registrar before registering for the course of their choice.

In the case of a student who wishes to complete his course of study after a lapse of a year or two, there is the possibility the course may no longer be offered. The student may be able to take an equivalent course but, if not, other arrangements may be looked into.

With the number of avenues open to students, Dean Wyatt said "the administration is ready to assist any student in arranging the completion of his course."

Classified

ENGAGEMENT

The Good Time Group of Niagara College is pleased to announce the forthcoming marriage of Robert Bruce Thorpe, known to those near and dear as "Thorpie", to Sheila Kathryn Richards, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Richards, Kalar Road, Niagara Falls. The wedding is to take place April 23 at St. John's Anglican Church, Portage Road, Niagara Falls.

Convocation

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made. Students will be notified of details by letter in May, along with final results.

Convocation must be held off campus.

"It will be some time before Niagara has a convocation hall of her own," advised J.P. Roos, registrar of the college. "We need other more important buildings first".

Graduating students are again reminded to pay the $10 graduation fee before the end of the term, if they wish to participate in the ceremonies. The money is used to cover the cost of gown rental, and diploma and its casing.

Arrangements are being made to have a guest speaker but no names have been mentioned to date.

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